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TOPIC	Brandis Airfield			25X1A
EVALUATION	see below	PLACE OBTAINED	[REDACTED]	25X1A
DATE OF CONTENT	[REDACTED]			25X1A
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REFERENCES				
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REMARKS				

SOURCE [REDACTED] 25X1X

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1. The following observations were made at Brandis airfield between 30 June and 6 July 1953:
- 30 June. Flights were made by 26 Li-2s and 2 twin-engine planes towing cargo gliders, which were absent from the field for 3 hours each time.
- 1 July. There was night flying by Il-10s.
- 2 July. The transport planes and six twin-engine planes with cargo gliders flew for 2 hours.
- 4 July. Three sorties were flown by 37 Li-2s and 6 twin-engine planes with cargo gliders. The Nos 06, 1, 5, 9, 22, 23, 26, 27 and 32 were observed on aircraft involved.
- 5 July. One sortie was flown by the same aircraft.
- 6 July. Local flights were made. Aircraft observed at the field included 37 Li-2s, 32 Il-10s, 6 twin-engine planes, 6 cargo gliders, 4 Po-2s and 1 Yak-14. 25X1B
- About 1,000 men wearing red-bordered black epaulets and motor vehicles [REDACTED] were observed in the woods southeast of the field. Motor vehicles [REDACTED] were observed entering and leaving the field. 25X1B
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2. No air activity by twin-engine planes and cargo gliders was observed at the field between 10 and 13 July.
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- [REDACTED] Comment. Between 19 June and about 10 July 1953, Brandis airfield was occupied by a transport regiment and 6 Il-12s with one cargo glider each, in addition to the ground attack regiment previously stationed there. The army troops observed 25X1B southeast of the field, which [REDACTED] belong to units of the 20th Meck Div from the Jena/Weimar area and to the 39th Gds Mtz Rifle Div from Plauen, probably were involved in air landing and transport exercises held by the air transport regiment and the cargo gliders. The transports probably landed at Erfurt-Bindersleben airfield as was also observed in the preceding year. See
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